

a receiving portion adapted to receive said portable computer system, said receiving portion configured to receive said portable computer system in a landscape (horizontal) orientation;

an interface connector disposed within said receiving portion and adapted to provide a communicative link with said portable computer system when said portable computer system has been inserted in said receiving portion;

a mounting mechanism disposed within said receiving portion, said mounting mechanism for providing positive retention on said portable computer system;

a keyboard portion coupled with said interface connector and for providing input keys; and

a data storage access slot adapted to provide access to a data storage device receptacle of said portable computer system.

10. (Once Amended) A gaming sled adapted to communicatively interact with a portable computer system, said gaming sled comprising:

a receiving portion adapted to receive said portable computer system, said receiving portion configured to receive said portable computer system in a landscape (horizontal) orientation;

an interface connector disposed within said receiving portion and adapted to provide a communicative link with said portable computer system when said portable computer system is inserted in said receiving portion;

a mounting mechanism disposed within said receiving portion, said mounting mechanism for securing said portable computer system when coupled with said gaming sled;

a gaming controls portion coupled to said interface connector and for providing game control input; and

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a data storage access slot adapted to provide access to a data storage device receptacle of said portable computer system.

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18. (Once amended) A system comprising:

a) a portable computer system having a display orientation controller; and

b) a sled comprising:

a receiving portion adapted to receive said portable computer system, said receiving portion configured to receive said portable computer system in a landscape (horizontal) orientation;
an interface connector disposed within said receiving portion and adapted to provide a communicative link between said sled and said portable computer system, when said portable computer system is coupled with said sled;

a mounting mechanism disposed within said receiving portion, said mounting mechanism for securing said portable computer system;
a keyboard portion coupled to said interface connector and for providing input keys; and

a data storage access slot adapted to provide access to a data storage device receptacle of said portable computer system.
